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To Unutil Chairman and CEO Thomas Meissner,

As a Select Board member in the Town of Exeter and a State Representative for Exeter (Rockingham District 11), I have a duty to express my opinion as opposed to the above cited PUC Docket at two important levels.

I am, on behalf of the Town in my two capacities, opposed to shifting costs from customers using Unutil energy service onto customers not purchasing energy service from Unutil. Please express this concern in your response to the Public Utilities Commission on December 20th.

It is my understanding that the Public Utility Commission has requested that Unutil shift costs associated with Unutil energy supply onto customers who were and are not now taking Unutil's energy supply. I am not in support of Unutil charging customers through rates that had nothing to do with the costs that are being charged.

Customers that are not participating in Unutil energy supply should not be put at risk of paying for the costs of Unutil energy supply. Customers who buy power in the competitive market, from a competitive supplier, or from Community Power should not have to pay the costs for Unutil energy service.

I urge Unutil to explain to the PUC on December 20th why this practice is harmful to New Hampshire rate payers, undermines the competitive supply market, and why the PUC should not force Unutil to shift costs of Unutil power supply onto customers that have made a choice to use free market competitive energy suppliers.

I have copied the PUC Clerk and the Office of Consumer Advocate here so that my concern, and those of my constituents, will be entered into PUC Docket No. DE 24-065 as a public comment.

Respectfully submitted,

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Town of Exeter Selectwoman

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